

DISARMMENT IS THEME OF PEACE AT GEORG PARLEY

But While Lloyd George Is for Such Plan in Order to
Bring Lasting Peace, the French Delegation Shouts
It Can't Be Considered by France.

PLAN FOR RUSSIA FOR DISCUSSION BY ALL POWERS

Durable Peace Must Come if
She Is Accepted.

Lloyd George Gives Attitude in
Addressing Delegates.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY IN Both Nations Allowed on Large Economic Committee.

Opposition of France and Bel-
gium Both Overruled.

(By the Associated Press.)

Genoa, April 11.—Consideration of
the Russian question by the interna-
tional economic and financial confer-
ence began today with the meeting of
the Russian commission appointed
yesterday by the conference chairman,
Premier Facta of Italy.

The clash between the Russians and
French at the opening session yester-
day was the subject of excited com-
ment as the delegates gathered today.
Allied diplomats believe that only the
prompt intervention of Prime minister
Lloyd George of Great Britain, and
the firm attitude of the chairman,
averted a break which would have
seriously affected the coming delibera-
tions.

Announcement by George Chit-
cherin, head of the soviet delegation,
that Russia was prepared to support
any proposals that would avert war
or lighten the burden of armament
was accepted as a final act in the
French military policy by Louis Barthou,
who had declared that France would
refuse to discuss disarmament at
Genoa.

While Mr. Lloyd George appealed
to the delegates to adhere to the
agenda as adopted by the supreme
council at Cannes, he made the final
declaration that unless the Genoa
conference leads to disarmament it
will be a failure.

"But before you get to disarm-
ment," he added, "you must have a
durable peace, with the present
agenda, we have all the cargo the
ship can carry."

M. Chitchevin made another at-
tempt to gain the floor but was re-
fused the privilege by the chairman,
who insisted the discussion had gone
far enough and ruled that the agenda
must be followed.

After quiet was restored, an ap-
pointment was announced of the com-
mission's own verification of credentials,
the Russian question, economic
questions and transport. The key
note of the conference was sounded
by Mr. Lloyd George, when he out-
lined the "only conditions on which
we can consent to deal with others,"
this supposedly referring specifically
to the Russian.

"The first," he said, "when a
country enters into contractual obli-
gations with another country or in-
ternationally for value received, that
contract cannot be repudiated whenever
the country changes its government
without returning values."

"The second," he said, "is that no
country can wage war on the institutions of an
other. The third is that one nation
shall not encroach on the economic
operations against the territory of another.
The fourth is that the nations of one
country shall be entitled to impartial
justice in the court of another."

A nation which disregards these
"elementary conditions of civilized in-
tercourse," he declared, "is expected
to be received into the com-
munity of nations."

(By the Associated Press.)

Genoa, April 11.—Admission of
Russian and German representatives
to the principal committee of the
economic conference was strongly op-
posed today by both French and Bel-
gian representatives.

Premier Lloyd George, together
with Premier Facta and Foreign Min-
ister Schanzer of Italy, intervened,
however, and their conciliatory atti-
tude finally resulted in the admis-
sion of both the Russians and the
Germans.

The principal committee of the con-
ference, composed of the chief dele-
gates of all the states represented and
attended by the experts of the various
delegations assembled this morning in
the Palazzo Reale.

Considerable importance is at-
tached to the meeting of the com-
mittee. Extraordinary police pre-
cautions were taken at the palace and
forces of military and carabinieri
lined the main street leading to the
meeting place.

The committee, which is known as
"Commission No. 1," met under the
presidency of Foreign Minister
Schanzer of Italy.

RUSSIA IN PLEA

Chitchevin Makes Second Pro-
test of Session; Is Overruled.

Affair Between Barthou and
Soviet Head Now Quieted.

(By the Associated Press.)

Genoa, April 11.—At this afternoon's
meeting of the principal conference
committee which is to consider Rus-
sian foreign affairs, Foreign Minister
Chitchevin of Russia protested against
the presence of the Rumanian and
Japanese delegates because Rumania
was occupying Bessarabia and Japan
was occupying portions of Siberia.

Premier Facta of Italy, who was
presiding over the committee, declined
to consider the Russian protest, giving
as his reason that all the countries
invited to the conference had a right
to be represented on its committee.

Louis Barthou, head of the French
delegation, told representatives of the
Exchange Telegraph that he was par-
ticularly pleased at the way in which
Mr. Lloyd George had smoothed over
the incident between himself and M.
Chitchevin, head of the Russian dele-
gation at yesterday's session.

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United States Well Out of It.
Washington, April 11.—The refusal
of the United States to participate in
the Genoa economic already has been
partially vindicated in the manner in
which the parley has started today.
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Everything that has transpired in
the session, it is claimed, is the result
of the chief leaders of the anti-Irish
free state forces.

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TRUCE IN IRELAND

Collins Denies He Asked That
Troops Be Kept for Peace.

Sixth Anniversary of Dublin
Uprising for Republic Soon.

EASTER FINDS WAR GROWING

Ireland Is Armed Camp While
Dublin Is Munition Center.

Anti-Free State Forces Declare
Peace Is Far Off, Yet.

Dublin, April 11.—A truce con-
ference between representatives of the
Irish free state and the Irish Republi-
cans was arranged today.

Invitations were sent by the lord
mayor of Dublin to both Michael Col-
lins of the Irish republican govern-
ment and to Eamon de Valera, leader
of the Republicans, to attend. Both
accepted.

An effort will be made to bring
about a peaceful agreement which will
end hostilities between the mutinous
faction of the Republican army and
Irish free state troops and avert the threat-
ened civil war.

London, April 11.—The evacuation
of British troops from Ireland is con-
tinuing, despite continued disorders
and the threat of civil war between
the Irish free state troops and the
mutinous faction of the Irish republic-
an army.

Colonial Secretary Winston Church-
ill, speaking in the house of commons
this afternoon, denied that the with-
drawal of English military forces from
Ireland had been suspended for any
reason.

Michael Collins today issued a for-
mal denial of a report printed by the
London Daily Express that he had
asked the British government to main-
tain troops in Ireland, however.

Dublin, April 11.—The possibility
of a counter revolution against the
provisional government at Easterlike
hangs over all Ireland today, like
a pall of darkness. This coming
Easter will be the sixth anniver-
sary of the famous Dublin uprising.

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SPOILING THE PARTY



PRESSURE IS LOW

Accident Occurs Today at City
Waterworks Plant.

Topekans Urged To Boil Water
for Next Few Days.

An accident at the city waterworks
this morning resulted in the loss of
suction by the big pumps, and Topeka's
water pressure today is very low.

Water will not reach the third
floors of buildings in the business dis-
trict, and the city is urged to boil
water for the next few days.

The water used by Topeka citizens
for the next few days should be
boiled. W. A. Stanfield, city commis-
sioner of water and electric lights, is-
sued the following statement:

"If we have to call on the Santa Fe,
their water is not chlorinated, and
should be boiled," Stanfield says. "Of
course we don't know whether we will
call on them or not. Boiling is a
precautionary measure."

To Use Fire Engines.
The fire marshal was warned this
morning by Stanfield to take pumping
engines to all fires, as the city pres-
sure is not sufficient to handle any
emergency.

The accident occurred while the
workmen of the Unit Construction
company, in charge of the erection of
the new filtration plant, were switch-
ing new suction lines onto the old
suction lines. A thirty-inch T and
valve were being installed in the
thirty-inch suction line when the
suction of the pipe was cracked, permit-
ting air to enter the pipes.

Stanfield says the damage will be
repaired and the suction and pressure
restored late this afternoon or tonight.

TO PLANT A BARTON MEMORIAL
Founder of Red Cross Honored in
Tree Planting at Washington.

Washington, April 11.—A memorial
tree will be planted for Clara Barton,
founder of the Red Cross, on Easter
Sunday at Glen Echo, Maryland,
where she died.

Miss Barton was born on Christmas
day in 1821 and the ceremony will
be held in the nature of a centennial
celebration of that date.

Failed to Hurt the Fruit
But Don't Celebrate—It Will Be a
Case of Fifty-Fifty Tonight.

The fruit crop is all right yet, ac-
cording to S. D. Florio, a meteorol-
ogist who declared today that the
temperature of 35 last night inflicted
no damage whatever.

There were many prospects for a
fruit crop out in the western
part of the state, that is probably
another story, as a late snowstorm
yesterday afternoon and temperature
of 16 occurred at Goodland, last night.

Not only did it fail to get down to
freezing here, but the snow was
sprinkled, plum and pear blossoms
escaped, but a high wind and cloudy
sky brought joy to the radish friends
by saving the garden trucks. Other-
wise, a frost would have occurred,
Florio says.

But celebrations over the narrow
escape last night are hardly in order,
inasmuch as the cold stuff doesn't
seem to be over with. It will be a
case of about fifty-fifty with the fruit
tonight, the weather man says, with
the skies clear a frost is almost
certainly.

Plains Wants a \$60,000 School.
Plains, April 11.—Election of Plains
will vote on the proposition of issuing
\$60,000 worth of bonds for the erec-
tion of a new school building on April
13.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST FOR KANSAS.
Generally fair tonight and Wednes-
day. Warmer Wednesday and west
port tonight. Frost tonight.

Return of Spring Promised by Meteor-
ologist Flora for Wednesday.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES.
7 o'clock.....41 11 o'clock.....50
8 o'clock.....42 12 o'clock.....52
9 o'clock.....43 1 o'clock.....54
10 o'clock.....46 2 o'clock.....54

Wednesday will be a pleasant spring
day providing Kansas do not have
to attend the funeral of the fruit crop.

Forecast for Topeka. It will be
crisp, clear and sunny, with no rain
in sight, says the weather man. The
crisis for the fruit crop will come to-
night. The temperature will prob-
ably drop to about 35 degrees, says
the weather man. If the mercury
drops to this mark, the peaches, pears
and apricots will be killed. If it does
not, Kansas will probably have a fruit
crop. At least the danger of frost will
be over for several days. Northwest
Kansas was the coldest spot in the
United States Monday. The tempera-
ture dropped to 18 degrees last night.
There was no frost to kill.

The chances of any more frosts in
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TRY TO TERRORIZE EMPLOYERS
Two Plumbing Contractors Favoring
Landis Wage Award Bombed.

Chicago, April 11.—A campaign of
terrorism against contractors actively
supporting the Landis wage award
was believed today to have been in-
augurated by the bombing of two
plumbing contractors. The men
attacked are two of the five plumbing
contractors who are members of the
citywide committee organized to en-
force the Landis award.

Henry O'Callaghan and H. P. Reger
were the men who were bombed.
O'Callaghan was painfully injured.
Homes of both Reger and O'Callaghan
were badly injured. No one was
injured at the Reger home.

James F. Griffin was well known by
early residents of Topeka. In the
70's and 80's he was cashier of the To-
peka State Bank, then operated by
C. W. Jewell and F. W. Giles. The in-
stitution was one of the early Topeka
banks and for a considerable period
was run as an individual bank. The
bank was later taken over under a
charter by the Snyder interests and
has continued business under its origi-
nal name.

For many years Griffin was treas-
urer of Washington college. He mar-
ried a daughter of T. E. Bowman dur-
ing the 30's. Following his retirement
from the Topeka State Bank, Griffin
was engaged in the insurance business
in Topeka. He moved to Los Angeles
about fifteen years ago.

Adams Breaks Limb in Fall.
Salina, Kan., April 11.—George D.
Adams, 30, a thirty-third degree Ma-
son, well known throughout Kansas as
one of the best posted Masons in the
state, fell down a stairway today and
sustained a broken leg and serious in-
juries to his hip. Because of his age
and the fact he suffered a paralytic
stroke a year ago, his condition is
critical.

Parade Ends City's Children's Week.
Hutchinson, Kan., April 11.—As
climax of children's week, which has
been in progress here during the past
week, a parade and school rally of all
school children in Hutchinson was
held April 7.

Legion to Run Burton's "Fourth".
Burton, April 11.—The Burston
post of the American Legion is plan-
ning to take charge of the Fourth of
July celebration here. Extensive
preparations will be made for the oc-
casion.

BIG WAR FRAUD?

Rep. Johnson Charges Many
Thefts by Department.

"Illegal Sales and Favoritism"
Basis of His Attack.

Washington, April 11.—A scathing
attack on the war department, with
charges of fraud, corruption, favorit-
ism and tampering with justice, today
attempts to control the department of
justice was made in the house today
by Representative Royal C. Johnson
of South Dakota, a Republican and an
ex-service man.

Following presentation of a long list
of alleged incorrect sales of surplus
property by the war department, re-
sulting, he said, in "enormous losses
to the country," Johnson introduced a
resolution demanding an investigation
of matters contained in his charges
by a special committee to be appoint-
ed by the speaker.

Johnson presented figures to show
that on December 12, 1920, General
Bullard estimated that the govern-
ment had on hand \$8,000,000,000
worth of supplies. A report on March
2, 1921, stated that this surplus was
valued at only \$3,723,233,848. John-
son told the house that a report of the
secretary of war of December 5, 1921,
relative to all sales of surplus prop-
erty "is the most fraudulent, mislead-
ing and criminally deceitful document
that has ever been submitted to the American congress."

The change is made mainly on Mr.
Sweeney's account. His health and
his many other duties will be brought
about conditions whereby he desires
to be relieved of the active manage-
ment of the two institutions and de-
clines the active work he has been
forced to younger and more active
men.

The change will link closely the
Perry and Williamstown banks, and
the Central Trust company and pro-
vide additional service to all the banks
involved.

U. S. DEBT COMMISSION D. K.
Senate Confirms Nominations of
Smoot and Burton as Last.

Washington, April 11.—The allied
debt refunding commission, created
by congress and entrusted with con-
version into long time securities the
debts of allied nations to the United
States, was formally completed today.
This conclusion by the senate of the
nominations of Senator Smoot of
Utah and Representative Burton of
Ohio, Republicans, as members of the
commission.

Confirmation followed more than
five hours of discussion in executive
session.

The principal argument against
confirmation was said to have been
made by Senator Walsh, Democrat,
Montana, who on this day today
eligibility point, while the principal
speech in support of Senator Smoot
and Mr. Burton was reported to have
been made by Senator Canning, Re-
publican, Iowa, chairman of the judi-
ciary subcommittee which considered
the nominations.

The vote on confirmation was 47
to 25. Two Democrats, Senators
Borah, Idaho, La Follette, Wisconsin,
and Norris, Nebraska, voted against
the senate.

Plains Legion Post Has Radio.
Plains, April 11.—The American
Legion post of Plains has organized a
radio club and is planning to install
radio apparatus capable of sending
and receiving messages more than
1,000 miles.

CUT WOOL IN KILL

Wholesale Deaths of Babies
From Rall Wage Slash?

Walsh Pleads for Higher Pay
Instead of a Reduction.

AVERAGE WAGE NOW AT \$70

Minimum Wage Scale Asked of
Labor Board by Attorney.

Other Industries Pay More Is
Statement to That Body.

Chicago, April 11.—Reduction of
the wages of unskilled laborers on the
railways would be "an act of whole-
sale infanticide," Frank P. Walsh,
noted labor attorney, declared in an
impassioned plea before the United
States railroad labor board today.

Walsh cited the wages of other
industries, and stated that the rail-
road families now on the wages they are
receiving," he asserted.

He said they averaged \$70 a month.
Walsh's speech was an argument
for the establishment of a minimum
wage for unskilled workers on the
roads, upon which a family can support
itself decently. This is what has had
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